



Managing Cover Crops

Agenda

March 6, 2014

8:00—4:00

Tarkio Community Building

Tarkio, MO 64491

8:00—9:00 Registration

9:00 Chris Rader, NRCS District Conservationist—Welcome & Introductions

9:05—10:00 Doug Peterson, NRCS Soil Health Conservationist

10:00—10:30 David Kacirek, NRCS Area Soil Scientist

10:30—10:45 Travis Kent, NRCS Soil Conservationist Atchison County—Cost Share and Programs available for Soil Health practices

10:30—12:00 Dave Brandt, Ohio Corn-Soybean-Wheat farmer doing no-till since 1972 and cover crops since 1978. Finding higher yields, less commercial fertilizer and pesticide needs with cover crop mixes and no-till.

12:00—1:00 Buffet Lunch

1:00—1:30 Fred Cummings, NRCS Soil Conservationist Holt County Rainfall Simulation Demonstration Outside

1:30—2:00 Wayne Flanary, Holt County MU Extension—Local cover crop research

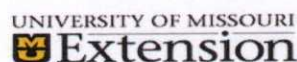
2:00—3:20 Dave Brandt

3:20—4:00 Open Discussion



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What You Need to Know About Managing Cover Crops

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* **Dave Brandt**—Farms over 1100 acres in central Ohio with a corn-soybean-wheat rotation. He began practicing no-till farming in 1972 and started using cover crops in 1978. With Brandt's experience, he has seen first hand the tillage radish can increase yields up to 20%, decrease diseases in both soybeans and wheat, and by fixing nutrients with cover crop mixes he can lower fertilizer costs tremendously.



* **Wayne Flanary**—Holt Co MU Extension Agronomist. Discuss local cover crop research.

* **Doug Peterson**—NRCS Soil Health Conservationist. Soil Erosion Demonstrations.

* **David Kacirek**—NRCS Area Soil Scientist. Discuss different beneficial soil tests available.

* **Fred Cummings**—NRCS Soil Conservationist Holt County—Rain Fall Simulation Demo.

* **Travis Kent**—NRCS Soil Conservationist Atchison County—Programs & Cost Share for soil health practices.

* **Questions and Open Discussion**

Taking registrations until February 24, 2014, after that date there will be no refunds. The registration fee is \$15 (includes lunch). Contact either Atchison Co [(660)744-6201 Ext. 3] or Holt Co [(660)442-3173 Ext 3] USDA Service Centers.

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